Grant-in-aid libraries.

25. ***Mr. K. M. Kesavan:** Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a list of grant-in-aid libraries of the State with the amount of grant allotted for each of them during the current year?

Mr. A. Gopala Menon: The list is laid on the Secretary's table.

Mr. K. M. Kesavan: May I know whether there is any difficulty for Government in placing the list on the Secretary's table?

Mr. A. Gopala Menon: The list has already been placed, Sir.

Appointments in the Aluminium Factory.

26. ***Mr. K. M. Kesavan:** Will the Government pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they have any control over the appointment of the staff of the Aluminium Factory at Alwaye;

(*b*) if so, to what extent; and

(*c*) whether there is any provision for the appointment of Travancoreans on the staff?

Mr. K. P. Padmanabha Menon:

(*a*), (*b*) and (*c*) No legal right. The Company have given an assurance that they will always give preference to Travancoreans in the matter of recruitment of labour and staff, provided candidates with suitable qualifications and experience are available. To this extent Government can exercise control over the appointments made by the Company for their factory at Alwaye.

Mr. T. Krishna Pillai: In answer to part (c) I find that the company have given an assurance that they will always give preference to Travancoreans in the matter of recruitment of staff etc. May I know whether it is a verbal assurance or written assurance?

Mr. K. P. Padmanabha Menon: There is a written assurance.

Rural centres.

27. ***Mr. K. M. Kesavan:** Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table;

(*a*) a list of rural centres opened in Travancore till 1-11-1117 with reference to the taluk in which they are situated;

(*b*) the nature of the work they are doing; and

(*c*) the amount of grant-in-aid that is being given to each one of them?

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